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Sir:

In re application of: Ralf Oberbeck et al.

Entitled: ACTUATION DEVICE FOR VEHICLE SEATS

Transmitted herewith is an **amendment** in the above-identified application. The following checked items are applicable:

[X] A Petition for Extension of Time for 1 month is hereby made, under §1.136(a); a check in the amount of \$110 is enclosed per §1.17.

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Independent 3	- 3	= 0	x \$86.00 =	0
Total 15	- 20	= 0.	x \$18.00 =	0
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SUBTOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE				0
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner of Patents  
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Dear Sir or Madam:

In response to the Office Action dated September 10, 2003, please consider the following and amend the above-identified Patent Application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.